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SOURCE: A former Cuban IS officer who served with the Cuban Intelligence Service until April 1964.

Headquarters Comments

The following report is one of a series containing personality information provided by the source and includes supplemental information from the records of this Agency.

It is requested that the addressees take no action on any of the individuals mentioned in the personality reports without first checking with this Agency.

Alfredo MIRABAL Diaz, pseudonym "Federico," is the chief Cuban Intelligence officer in Mexico City as of January 1964. Although Manuel VEGA is replacing MIRABAL as chief, MIRABAL possibly will continue in Mexico. 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8

Headquarters Comments

- In September 1947, a usually reliable source reported that Alfredo MIRABAL, director of the Sugar Workers' Union of Central Stewart and Colonies and delegate of Central to official and management organizations, was active in the Partido Socialista Popular (Cuban Communist Party - PSP) in the Province of Camaguey.
- In the 12 April 1953, issue of the publication Hoy an interview with Alfredo MIRABAL Diaz, financial secretary of the Sherwin Williams Workers' Union, was printed with reference to the workers' demands.

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- A usually reliable source in a report dated 29 June 1955 stated that in September 1955, it was called to the attention of the Service de Inteligencia Militar (Willtary Intelligence Service - SIM) that two brothers, Alfredo MIRABAL Diaz and Rafael MIRABAL Diaz, employed by the Sherwin Williams Company of Cuba, had Marxist ideas. An investigation revealed that in August 1946, when Alfredo MIRABAL was director of the Sindicato de Trabajadores Azucareros del Central Stewart y sus Colonias (Union of Sugar Workers of Central Stewart), he was arrested on a charge of causing an illicit strike at the Central. On the day of his arrest he was awarded a prize by the PSP for having distinguished himself in the work done. On 1 October 1955, a SIM agent interviewed Alfredo MIRABAL and he (Alfredo) admitted to having been affiliated with the PSP but denied being a Communist. He said that he belonged to the PSP merely as a laborer, believing that workers should belong to that Party. The investigation also disclosed that Alfredo MIRABAL was the "Delegate Official and Management Organizations" (sic) of the Sindicato de Trabajadores de la Fabrica de Pinturas Sherwin Williams (Union of Sherwin Williams Workers). He was described as white, divorced, a native of Habana, the son of Rogelio and Sofia, and a resident of Calle E, Number 302, Reparto Satista.
- 4. Another office of this Agency, in a report dated 28 May 1962, stated that an untested source said that one (fnu) MIRABAL was the chief of G-2 in Caibarien. He was born in 1932, is five feet five inches tall, and weighs 160 pounds.
- 5. In September 1963, it was reported that Alfredo MIRABAL Diaz, born in 1923, arrived in Mexico as the Cuban Consul on 2 September 1963. Reportedly, he did not know his job as Consul and was held in contempt by his staff for his incompetence.
- 6. In October 1963, it was reported that the aunt of Alfredo MIRABAL Diaz stated that Alfredo MIRABAL had been appointed to the Cuban Consulate in Mexico. He was reportedly an old-line Communist under BATISTA and he was probably trained in Moscow.
- 7. A Cuban businessman in Mexico City with good contacts in the Cuban Embassy and who has reported reliable information for about two years stated in a report dated 17 February 1964, that on 23 January 1964 Alfredo M. MIRABAL Diaz, Consular Attache of the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City, sent the following cable to the Administration Section of the Cuban Ministry of Foreign Relations:

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"It is urgently necessary that you send this Consulate's allotment for the months of December and January. It is impossible to operate without money. I consider it absolutely imperative to increase the allotment beginning in January. Today I am pouching a projected estimate for this year. I urge your rapid attention."

8. A Cuban with contacts among Cuban diplomats stated, in a report dated 12 June 1964, that Alfredo MIRABAL Diaz, in charge of the Cuban Consulate in Mexico City, was born about 1929, has been married twice, and has a very poor education. All his life he has been a Communist and everyone in his family is Communist. He belongs to the syndicate of the tin factory in Luyano, Habana, where both he and his brothers worked for years. He also worked at the "Ceiba del Agua Institute" for some time.

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